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INFORMATION ON THE BITTERFELD ELECTRO-CHEMICAL COMBINE

(9pp; English and German; [REDACTED] 25X1A)

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Comment: This [the English document] is the first report stating that pure aluminum is being shipped from the factory in any form but ingots. "Vollrath, Triplis" has not been identified; it may be Werke Technischer Gummiartikel (formerly C. Vollrath & Sohn), Bad Blankenburg, belonging to SAG Kautschuk.

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The first document, in English, is a 4-page mimeographed copy of a report tabulating (1) the exports dispatched from the Bitterfeld Electro-Chemical Combine during [REDACTED] and (2) the export orders received by the plant. The table headings are: Date, Quantity, Customer, Order No., Transaction No., Route etc. Some incidental information is added: Badishev has replaced Shutikov; the phosphorus furnace is producing 99.9% pure phosphorus; about 1 ton of metallic ~~sodium~~ sodium a month is being produced, but the method used is expensive.

The second document, in German, is a 5-page mimeographed copy of the minutes of the [REDACTED] and meeting of the department heads of the Bitterfeld plant, held on [REDACTED] 25X1X. The subjects discussed were: 300 apprentices in the chemical department, mostly girls under 17, are ready for placing in jobs; production: the quota for May was fulfilled 101.9%, and the showing would be better if there were no shortage of workers; purchasing problems: difficulty in obtaining materials like sodium sulfate, carbon disulfide, menthol, spring wire, paper bags, lubricants, spare parts for certain machines; sales problems: the stocks on hand must be reduced from 10 or 11 million Deutsche marks to 9 millions; inorganic department: the KOH production has been increased by 180 tons per month; the graphite plant gets too little coal; with the phosphorus furnace again operating the quarterly quota can be fulfilled.

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